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TAGS: BBSR, BGEN, EG
SUBJ: STATUS OF OUTSTANDING WTDR REQUESTS

REF: (A) STATE A-2289, 6/22/78, (B) CAIRO 4263 (NOTAL),
- (C) HONG KONG 8580

1. EMBASSY IS DISTURBED BY ASSERTION BASED ON USDOC
RECORDS THAT "NUMEROUS" WTDR REQUESTS OF THIS POST HAVE
NOT BEEN ANSWERED WITHIN 30 DAYS AND THAT USDOC FOLLOW-UP
MESSAGES HAVE GONE UNANSWERED (REF A). IN FACT, EMBASSY
IS AWARE OF NO RPT NO DELINQUENCIES IN THIS REGARD. AT
THIS TIME POST HAS PENDING TEN WTDR REQUESTS ON WHICH
COMPLETE REPORTS CANNOT BE PREPARED DUE TO FIRMS DECLINING
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TO RESPOND, DELAYED RECEIPT OF COMPANY INFORMATION OR
DIFFICULTY IN LOCATING FIRMS AT INCOMPLETE ADDRESSES
PROVIDED. IN EACH AND EVERY CASE, HOWEVER, WE SENT
INTERIM CABLE REPLIES WITHIN 30 DAYS EXPLAINING CIRCUM-
STANCES OF DELAY AND ARE, OF COURSE, CONTINUING OUR
EFFORTS TO OBTAIN NEEDED INFORMATION.

2. ATTENTION IS INVITED TO OUR PREVIOUS MESSAGES ON THIS SUBJECT, ESPECIALLY REF B WHICH CITES FOURTEEN DUPLICATE USDOC INQUIRIES INVOLVING ELEVEN DIFFERENT FIRMS DURING 1977. IN ONE INSTANCE, EMBASSY RECEIVED FOUR REQUESTS FOR SAME WTDR WITHIN A FIVE WEEK PERIOD. EMBASSY CITED IN REF B NEGATIVE EFFECT ON ADMINISTRATION OF COMMERCIAL SECTION WORKLOAD ENTAILED BY REPEATED DOUBLE-CHECKS OF WTDR'S ALREADY SUBMITTED.

3. EMBASSY NOTES AMCONSUL HONG KONG COMMENTS REF C REPORTING CONSENSUS OF REGIONAL SOUTHEAST ASIA E/C CONFERENCE THAT THIS PROBLEM IS WIDESPREAD AND SUGGESTING THAT COMMERCE CONSIDER EXAMINING THE MANNER IN WHICH REQUESTS ARE PROCESSED. WE ALSO AGAIN URGE CLOSER SURVEILLANCE OF REQUIREMENTS LEVIED, AS WELL AS NEED FOR IMPROVED SYSTEM FOR IDENTIFICATION AND RETRIEVAL OF REPORTS ALREADY SUBMITTED FROM FIELD.

4. NEED FOR STRICT ADHERENCE TO TIMELY PREPARATION OF WTDR'S IS WELL UNDERSTOOD HERE. WE ARE CONCERNED BY IMPLICATION THAT DELINQUENCY IS A CONTINUING PROBLEM AT THIS POST. PLEASE CLARIFY SOONEST, WITH APPROPRIATE CITATIONS AS TO WHICH REQUESTS HAVE GONE UNANSWERED WITHIN 30-DAY PERIOD AND WHICH FOLLOW-UP MESSAGES FROM USDOC STILL AWAIT A REPLY. EMBASSY NOTES THAT WE HAVE YET TO RECEIVE RESPONSE REQUESTED REFTEL B (ACTION UNCLASSIFIED

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